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SUBJECT: PYTHIAS

TO: Heidelberg "KNODY"  
ATTN:   
REFERENCE: NOV-A-164

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NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT  
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systematic review.

1. Going forward under separate cover to you are 2,000 copies of the Hungarian newspaper recirculated in reference dispatch. They are being forwarded in four bundles, each going by separate pouch.

2. The order was reduced here from 3,000 to 2,000 primarily to reduce the already over-lengthy delay involved in returning the bundles by pouch.

3. Considering the nature of the material furnished, the production at this end was technically excellent in my judgment. However, inasmuch as you were forced to use type of an entirely different style from that employed in the original publication, the forgery will be obvious to the sophisticated and quite readily discerned by more casual recipients.

4. It is the feeling of the Home Office that this type of propaganda has a certain harassment value which renders it useful on occasion, but which can not have any lasting propaganda effect since the forgery is quite apparent.

5. You may exercise your own judgment as to the disposition of this material, but we should appreciate having from you a careful analysis of its effect and of the probable effect of similar ventures in the future. We desire the benefit of your candid advice as to whether the amount of effort that was put into this project might not better have been spent on propaganda of a different nature.

6. In view of Projects OOPNEY and HAZEL, I am also concerned lest the continued use of the forgery technique against Hungarian targets might set up a pattern leading to a blow which would prejudice other of our operations.

JEB/njh  
cc: OPC File 2  
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EDUCATOR

7. It is understood that if any of this material should be mailed from Austria prior approval will be obtained from CDI Vienna. This is particularly necessary in Austria inasmuch as the quadripartite no-propaganda agreement is still honored there, at least overtly.

F. G. Wisner

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